

POST OFFICE ROBBER SHOT AND CAPTURED.

An Exciting Chase at Shiloh in Which Father and Son Took Part.

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TOMLINSON HAD A BURGLAR ALARM.

He and the Boy Slept with Their Clothes on and with Guns at Hand in Readiness for any Midnight Visitor.

Bridgeport, N. J., April 3.—Charles Filler, an ex-convict, well known to the authorities, who has been much sought for because of his various crimes, was brought to this place from Shiloh this morning, a badly wounded man, and under arrest.

The Shiloh Post Office has been robbed a number of times within the last year. Postmaster Tomlinson found his salary being eaten up by his having made good the stolen stamps and other Government property. After the last robbery, he decided that the next time the burglar came there would be a warm reception awaiting him.

Accordingly he had placed in the Post Office a burglar alarm, which connected a room overhead with every means of ingress and egress in the office. He and his son, Joseph, slept every night in the room above the office, armed with revolvers and shotguns.

The father and son were awakened about 5 o'clock this morning by the alarm. They had made it a rule to be on their feet at once, and their weapons were kept handy. They rushed downstairs, and the father stationed himself so as to command the front of the office, while the son ran to the rear. They heard some one in the office.

Just as the son was about to enter the office a man ran from the hallway, and attempted to pass the Postmaster. Mr. Tomlinson fired at him, and the shot struck the thief on the forehead and glanced off, without inflicting a serious wound.

Joseph Tomlinson, on hearing his father's shot, ran out and found the thief running down the road. He fired his shotgun, and the charge took effect in the man's arm and side, but the range was rather long and none of the shots reached a vital part. The thief continued to run, with father and son in pursuit. The fugitive was losing considerable blood, and by the time a half-mile had been covered he was weakening.

The Postmaster fired another shot from his revolver. This took effect in the man's arm, and he fell. The father and son rushed forward, and the father seized the man by the neck and held him down. Before his wrists reached him, the man had regained his feet, and was trying to make his escape.

Mr. Tomlinson used the butt of his gun on the thief's neck and knocked him down. Even then he struggled, and was soon overpowered and held. The man, who proved to be Charles Filler, was brought here and locked up. The wound was not a dangerous one, and after the shot had been picked from his arm and the bullet from his hip he was all right.

LIONEL OF ROYAL BLOOD.

Better Than That, He Has a Good-Salaried Position and is Heir to Half a Million Dollars.

Bayonne, N. J., April 3.—The sensational elopement of Ella, the pretty nineteen-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Cleveland, and Lionel Van Pelt, aged eighteen, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. Van Pelt, has set the whole town talking. Alexander Cleveland said to-day that the statement that his daughter was true. He added:

"Ten thousand dollars would not pay me for the insult my daughter has offered me. Ella is married to the man of her choice, and that settles the whole matter. My son has not as yet obtained a copy of the Van Pelt coat of arms, but will in the near future, as he is positively entitled to it."

"Lionel is a good boy and I am proud of him. Certainly his hasty action aggrieved us, but we have become reconciled and hope that everything will end well. Yes, the ancestry of the Van Pelt can be traced in a direct line to the Van Pelt of England. At his majority Lionel will come into a fortune of a half million dollars from his great-uncle, the widow of the late John Taylor, of New York. My son has not as yet obtained a copy of the Van Pelt coat of arms, but will in the near future, as he is positively entitled to it."

"Lionel has a good position with the Law-rence Title Guaranty Company in New York. His salary will be \$10,000 a year, and his bride a good home. He declares that he will not recognize his wife's family, but does not intend to cut her out of his life, and will visit her when she so desires."

Van Pelt's Bride Is Happy.
Newburg, N. Y., April 3.—Mrs. Lionel Van Pelt is stopping in this city with her uncle, James H. Van Voorhis, residing at No. 25 Clark street. Mrs. Van Pelt is a handsome young woman, and she thinks the newspaper are unfair in their reference to the families of herself and husband. They have been in the city, she thinks, to hold her people up as if they did not speak of her husband's folks as if they were not so good.

Mrs. Van Pelt says she is not, nor has she been, in hiding from her parents. They have known where she was to be found and could have seen her. She is confident that they will eventually forgive her.

A HOME FOR CRIMINALS.

Illicit Distillers and Counterfeiters Occupied This Old House.

Bayway, N. J., April 3.—An old landmark, once the home of illicit distillers and counterfeiters, and possibly the rendezvous of many criminals, is being raised. It is located in Westfield avenue, and is now the property of William C. Squier, of No. 111 Liberty street, New York.

Away back in the thirties one Baldwin, a man who pretended to carry on a grocery business, occupied the building, and secretly manufactured snuff money. He would go to his money drawer every night and exchange the counterfeit for the genuine his clerk had taken in during the day. It was while doing this that his clerk, Jeremiah O. Tunison, detected him. Tunison knew that the snuff money had been given to customers in change, and he lost no time in reporting the facts to the authorities.

Baldwin was arrested, tried and sent to prison for ten years. Tunison later became Police Justice of Bayway. It is said, the old house has been occupied by parties who made moonshine whiskey. An old resident alleges that 150 barrels of liquor were sold in one year.

Trump-Infested May's Landing.
May's Landing, N. J., April 3.—This town and vicinity is alive with tramps, some of whom are of a desperate character. The three that recently were shot at by Mrs. Collins, of Eatontown, were May's Landing on Monday night. They were chased out of the town. Farmers are arming themselves and lying in wait for tramps who steal from their premises.

M'PHERSON ON POLITICS.

He Thinks Cleveland and Harrison Would Make the Strongest Candidates for the Great Rival Parties.

Trenton, N. J., April 3.—Ex-Senator John R. McPherson has returned from the Pacific coast, where he spent the winter. He is now at Lakewood with his family, but puts in considerable time at his office in New York. He is much improved in health and spirits, and talks with his old-time vigor and acuteness. During a conversation yesterday the ex-Senator was asked who he thought would be the Republican candidate for President.

"It is hard to say," was the reply, "but he will be a Western man. No Eastern Republican has a chance to head the ticket. It is my belief that Harrison could have the nomination if he would consent to run. Even as it is, I should not be surprised there would be a stampede for Harrison."

"How about McKinley?"
"There is a popular demand for Mr. McKinley just now, but it looks rather premature. It rather looks as though the third candidate was disclosing his plans too soon. If he is trying to make an alliance with some New Yorker for Vice-President, as is reported, he is giving Platt due warning, and an attempt could be effectively checked. I should think if Harrison is absolutely out of it, that Allison stood a better chance after the combination against McKinley is perfected."

"What about Garrett A. Hobart, of New Jersey, for Vice-President?"
"Mr. Hobart is one of the strongest men in the country. He is made and popular. With the Jersey delegation solidly behind him, and the Eastern leaders like Cleveland and McKinley favorable, he might all out the ticket."

"What is your judgment as to the Democratic Presidential nomination?"
"I believe the Democrats will have the nomination," replied the ex-Senator, "if he will merely intimate he will take it. He is unquestionably the most influential Democrat in the United States to-day, as he has been for ten years past."

"Suppose Mr. Cleveland absolutely refuses under any circumstances, to be a candidate?"
"Then I should say William C. Whitney, of New York, would be the nominee. He represents the same opinions as are held by the President, and he has the confidence of the business community. He is an Eastern man, and if the Republicans select their standard-bearer from the West the Democrats would naturally put up an Eastern man."

The ex-Senator was very optimistic. He evidently has hopes yet for Democratic success. He believes the contest, as it progresses, will prove very interesting.

GIRL CLAIMS THE ESTATE.

Annie Dugan Alleges That She Was Abandoned by Her Mother, Margaret Flanagan, in Infancy.

Abandoned by her mother when a baby, Annie Flanagan, or Dugan, as she is better known, yesterday in the Hudson County Orphan's Court, endeavored to prove her claim to the estate left by the late Margaret Flanagan.

Mrs. Flanagan, who kept a grocery store at No. 208 Newark avenue, Jersey City, died on April 1, 1907. Counselor James Boyce was appointed executor of her estate. There is a balance in his hands of \$501.83, and yesterday he appeared before Judge Hudson for instructions regarding its disposition.

Annie Flanagan, who claims to be Mrs. Flanagan's daughter, also appeared. She stated that prior to her mother's marriage she was known as Annie Dugan. When she was born, her mother played her in a basket in front of the New York Foundling Asylum, and card giving her name was placed in her basket.

When five years old, Miss Flanagan said, she was claimed by her mother, who lived in the meantime at No. 159 Steuben street, Jersey City.

Mrs. Flanagan, so several witnesses declared, always affirmed that Annie was her child. Flanagan disappeared sixteen years ago, and has never since been heard of. Evidence was given to show the record of the baptism of the claimant at St. Peter's R. C. Church, where a record was defective. The Christian name of the mother is entered as Annie, the same as that of the child, and the name of the father as James Dugan.

Judge Hudson decided to refer the case to Master in Chancery Van Horn to take all depositions, and to hear the evidence. Miss Flanagan, or Dugan, is now twenty-two years old. She lives with friends on Seventh street, Jersey City.

EASTER IN THE CHURCHES.

New Chimes Will Summon Worshipers to St. John's, at Clifton.

New Brighton, S. L., April 3.—The churches of all denominations are making great preparations for Easter services. The principal event of the day will be at St. John's Church, Clifton, where the new chimes will summon the members of the church to the service for the first time.

Bishop Safford will preach the sermon in commemoration of the fortieth anniversary of the Rev. John E. Keelson, D. D., taking charge of the parish.

At St. Peter's Church, New Brighton, there will be a handsome altar service. Archbishop Johnson will officiate in Christ Church, at this place. The Easter service in the Catholic Church, Grove street, Jersey City, early last Tuesday morning was yesterday reported by the police.

Entrance was effected through a rear basement window. Father Boylan, the rector, was arrested by feeling some one bending over his altar.

Jumping hastily out of bed he made a grab at the intruder, but the latter ran from the room, down the stairs and from the house. Father Boylan lost a few dollars out of his pocket.

The Bicycle May Be Maligned.
Paterson, N. J., April 3.—The police are confident of arresting the alleged bicycle thief, who yesterday robbed Mrs. Amelia Chappius, of No. 100 Jackson street, of \$57. They scout the idea of the man being a workman and feel certain that he is one of a tough gang which infests the neighborhood. Mrs. Chappius stated to-day that she did not know the bicycle thief, and knew of it by the stranger's reference to him as being a thief.

They Fought for a Child.
Colored Girl and White Man Struggle on an Elizabeth Street.

Elizabeth, N. J., April 3.—A young colored woman was seen struggling with a white man for the possession of a mulatto child on Broad street last night.

The girl, Maple Sample, had given the baby to Mrs. Workman, but last night tried to kidnap it. The man was Henry Workman, the woman's husband. Police Justice Neill decided that Maple was not a proper person to care for the child and restored it to Mrs. Workman.

McGuire Wants Reinstatement.
Thomas B. McGuire has secured from Judge Van Wyck, of Brooklyn, an alternative mandamus directed to the Brooklyn Benevolent and Protective Association. The organization has refused McGuire to membership, or show cause for refusing. He is an employing mason, and claims that he has been unable to obtain work because of a boycott leveled against him.

A New Industry at Rahway.
Articles of incorporation have been filed with the County Clerk by the Standard Railroad Signal Company of Rahway. The incorporators are Hilda Johnson, Dr. John M. Randolph and William E. Wells, and the capital stock is placed at \$300,000. The company will manufacture mechanical and electrical interlocking block signalling and safety appliances for railroads.

Murderer Kobi Gains Time.
Trenton, N. J., April 3.—Counsel for Henry Kobi, the murderer, now under sentence of death in the County Jail here, won another victory to-day at Trenton, where the case is now pending before the courts of last resort. Prosecutor Crane, of this county, asked that the writ of error taken by counsel for Kobi be dismissed. This writ was granted by the Supreme Court, and the case was set for trial. The Justice declined to grant the writ and the matter will be argued in June.

High School Resolution Signed.
Newark, N. J., April 3.—Mayor Lebkueher to-day signed the resolution of the Common Council appropriating money for the purchase of a site for a new high school, at the corner of Sixth avenue and Ridge street. The option price which the city has on the property is declared by law to be exorbitant.

Readers Asked for the Journal.
Newark, N. J., April 3.—The public library trustees, by unanimous vote last night, ordered that the Journal, placed on the list of the newspapers, be given to the Free Library. This was in accordance with the frequent request made by patrons who use the room.

Workman's Fall in a Dry Dock.
Elizabeth, N. J., April 3.—Charles Erickson, an employee of the New Jersey Dry Dock Company, fell to the bottom of a dry dock yesterday. The accident occurred internally. He is in a critical condition.

Consolidation Hearing To-day.
The hearing on the Consolidation bill will be resumed by Mayor Wurster at the City Hall, Brooklyn, to-day at 1:30 o'clock p. m. David A. Brady, Asa W. Tenney, Colonel Andrew D. Baird and twenty-seven others will speak.

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A BOOTBLACK MOBBED.

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Lavinio Guatario, a bootblack on the ferryboat Washington, of the Cortlandt street line, caused quite a commotion on the 6:40 trip last night.

Mary McGarity was sitting in the men's cabin of the ferryboat, a great deal of the worse for the liquor she had imbibed, and smoking her pipe, when she took a sudden dislike to Laverio, and made a lunge for him with her fist. Laverio swung his box on her head, cutting a gash over her left eye.

The crowd on the boat immediately set upon the bootblack, and cries of "Overboard" were heard. Wiser counsel, however, prevailed. He was handed over to Policeman Buren, of Jersey City, who took him to Police Headquarters. Three bystanders went as witnesses.

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Alice was convicted of robbing Abraham & Straus and Matthews & Sons, Justice Walsh told Alice she was determined to punish her, as it was unsafe to allow her to remain at large. Jerry, he said, would be wasted on such a girl. Judge told her to choose between a term of imprisonment in the penitentiary and detention in the House of the Good Shepherd. Sentence was postponed until Monday next.

Insane Colored Man Escapes.
Brick Church, N. Y., April 3.—Sergeant Leary, of the Orange Police, reported to-night that Charles Ratford, a colored man, who has been confined in a New Jersey Insane Asylum at Morris Plains, for the past six months, escaped from that institution this afternoon. He is considered a dangerous man. Ratford lived in Orange, and it is thought he will come in this direction.

Five More Counties for Morton.
Buffalo, N. Y., April 3.—Sergeant Leary, of the Orange Police, reported to-night that Charles Rat